

**Media Advisory**  
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**U.S. Embassy Sponsors Events on Climate Change and Renewable Energy**

You are invited to attend a media roundtable with Mr. Gerald Braun, visiting Climate Change Expert. He will be available from 09:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 30, 2010, in the Savannah Room, Pegasus Hotel. The forum, sponsored by the U.S. Embassy, will feature a presentation by the distinguished guest, followed by a question and answer session. **The forum is open to all media, and you are encouraged to attend.**

Also, on the same day, the Embassy will host a public forum on **“Climate Change: Technical and Economic Choices and Strategies”** from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Essequibo Room, Pegasus Hotel. The forum will feature presentations by Mr. Braun and Dr. Paulette Bynoe, Director, School of Earth and Environmental Sciences, University of Guyana. **The forum is open to the public.**

During his visit to Guyana, Mr. Braun will meet Government of Guyana officials, members of the Chambers of Commerce of Georgetown, Linden and Berbice, make a presentation at the McKenzie High School and give a guest lecture at the University of Guyana.

Gerald Braun joined the University of California in 2007 to direct public interest energy research in renewable energy and is an Associate Director in the UC Davis Energy Institute.

His experience includes leadership positions across industries and government, i.e. ten years in energy equipment and project services industries, thirteen years with California investor owned utilities, eight years directing Federal and state renewable energy Research, Development & Demonstration (RD&D) programs and five years advising and managing clean energy start-ups in the United States and Europe.

Mr. Braun received a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Michigan and advanced degrees in nuclear engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The links below provide more details on Mr. Braun and his work:

<http://cal-ires.ucdavis.edu/>

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